1	2	3	4	5	6
11. Tobacco (VFC) (Rs. per kg.)	Black Soil (F2 Grade)	19.00	20.50	1.50	7.9
	Light Soil (L2 Grade)	22.00	23.50	1.50	6.8
12. Sesamum		870	950	80	9.2
13. Nigerseed		720	800	80	11.1

*Paddy will be classified into two categories for the MSP purposes instead of existing three varieties for the ensuing Kharif season of 1997-98.

Implementation of Schemes by NCDC

143. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes implemented by National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC) and credit approved/released for various agro-processing projects in cooperative sector during 1998-99, State-wise and how does it compare with the projects financed during preceding two years for Maharashtra, in particular;

(b) the number of projects financed by NCDC in Maharashtra during the last three years and funding made year-wise upto March, 1998;

(c) the details of proposals from Maharashtra awaiting clearance and backlog of proposals for 1998-99 and action proposed for their early clearance; and

(d) the details of funds approved for cooperative venture *Anusuchit Jati* in Maharashtra during 1996-97 and proposals pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) The details of schemes being implemented by the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) for promoting the development of cooperatives are given in statement-I (see below). The position regarding financial assistance released by the NCDC for agro-processing projects during 1998-99 (from 1.4.98 to 15.5.98) and during the preceding two years is given below:

(Rs. in crores)

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99 (Upto 15.5.98)
All States	70.20	144.50	2.95
Maharasthra	26.12	85.09	1.99
% share of Maharashtra	37.21	58.82	67.46

The figures given above indicate that the share of Maharashtra is substantial and has been rising from year to year.

(b) The details of projects financed by NCDC during the past three years (i.e. 1995-96 to 1997-98) and total funding made, year-wise for Maharashtra State are as under:—

	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	Total
No. of proposals/units sanctioned	158	173	115 (Prov.)	446
Amount released (Rs. in crores)	90.79	48.95	105.13	244.87

(c) Status of the proposals recommended for sanction by the Maharashtra State for the year 1998-99 and propoals pending for sanction by the NCDC as furnished by it is given in statement-II (see below). The NCDC would take appropriate decisions on these proposals after completion necessary appraisal and other requirements.

(d) The details of assistance approved for cooperative venture *Anusuchit Jati* (SC/ST) in Maharashtra State during 1996-97 and status of pending proposals are given in Statement-III below.

Statement-I

Schemes being implemented by NCDC in Cooperative Sector during 1998-99.

(i) Central Sector Schemes:

(a) Assistance to NAFED.

(b) Assistance under Internationally Aided Projects.
—EEC assisted project for development of cooperative rural growth centres in Bihar.
—Coconut Development Project in Kerala (EEC).

(c) Integrated Cooperative Development Projects (ICDP).

(ii) Centrally Sponsored Schemes:

(a) Assistance to Cooperative Marketing, Processing and Storage programmes in Cooperatively Under-Developed States/U.Ts.

(b) Assistance to Sugar Factories.

(c) Assistance to Spinning Mills.

(d) Assistance for development of Reservoir Fisheries.

(e) Assistance for integrated development of wool cooperatives and industrial cooperatives.

(iii) NCDC Sponsored Schemes:

(a) Marketing.

(b) Processing.

(c) Cooperative Storage.

(d) Distribution of Essential Articles through Coops.

(e) Programme of Agricultural Services.
—Coop. Farmers Service Centres.
—Agro-Service Centres for custom hiring.
—Establishment of Agricultural inputs manufacturing and allied units.

(f) Integrated Coop. Development Projects in selected districts (ICDP).

(g) Equipment financing scheme.

(h) Cooperatives for Weaker Sections.
—Fishery/Dairy/Poultry/Tribal/Scheduled Caste/Handloom/Coir/Sericulture Cooperatives.

(i) Assistance for Computers.

(j) Promotional and Development Programmes.

Statement-II

List of proposals received by Maharashtra state by NCDC during 1998-99.

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Projects	Whether SC/ST	Activity	Amount of Assistance Sought	Action Taken and Current Status
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Ashwamedh Textile Audyogic Sahakari Sanstha Ltd., Mahal Distt. Nagpur, Maharashtra.	—	Workshed Purchase of Looms	84.960	Under Consideration

1	2	3	4	5	6
2.	Vishal Yantramag Owners Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. Dyane, Tal. Malegaon, Distt. Nasik Maharahstra.	—	Margin Money	6.960	Under Consideration
3.	Parvati Anusuchit Jatijamati Va Etar Magaswargiya Yantramag Vinkar Audyogic Sanstha Maryadit, Haveli, Taluka Mahol, Distt. Solapur, Maharashtra.	—	Workshed Purchase of Looms	59.600	Deferred for the time being
4.	Pranali Magaswargiya Yantramag Sahakari Audyogik Utpadak Sanstha Maryadit, Madla, Solapur, Maharashtra	—	SC Society Workshed Purchase of Looms	79.590	Deferred for the time being
5.	Shri Bhaira Vanaath Yantramag Audyogik Sahakari socicty Ltd. Vita, Distt. Sangli, Maharashtra.	—	Powerloom Project	65.260	Deferred for the time being
6.	Ruturaj Yentramag Owners Sahakari Sanstha ltd. Dyane, Tal. Malegaon Distt. Nasik, Maharashtra.	—	Margin Money	8.800	Under Consideration
7.	Haji Hafij Fatthe Mohaseed Jodhpuri Industries Cooperative Society Ltd. Vita (Khambale) Maharashtra.	—	Workshed Purchase Looms	92.510	Under Consideration
8.	Gitanjali Yantramag Sahakari Sanstha Marytadit, Walkhad, Taluka, Khanpur, Distt. Sangli, Maharashtra.	—	Powerloom Project	65.260	Deferred for the time being
9.	Shri Vasudeo Yahtramag Audyogik Sahakari Sanstha Ltd., Ichalkaranji, Distt. Kolhapur, Maharashtra.	—	Workshed Purchase of Looms	54.000	Deferred for the time being

1	2	3	4	5	6
10.	Shri Jagathjyothi Basewashwar Sahakari Soot Girni Ltd. Ichalkaraji Distt. Kolhapur, Maharashtra.	—	Tasturised Polyester Filament Yarn	296.000	Under Consideration
11.	Shashikamal Yantrameg Aduyogik Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. Solapur, Distt. Solapur, Maharashtra	—	Workshed Purchase of Looms	59.900	Deferred for the time being

Statement-III

(A) Details of the proposals recommended by Maharashtra State for sanction by NCDC during 1997-98

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of Society with Location	Whether SC/ST	Activity	Amount of assistance sought	Status of pendency as on 15.5.98
Sahyadri SSK Ltd., Dhamod Radhangar, Distt. Kolhapur.	No	New Sugar Mill	600.00	The proposal is held up since formal sanction letters by term lending banks are yet to be issued. The proposal will be considered after receipt of the formal sanction letters.
Sonhira SSK Ltd., Wangi, Tal.-Khanapur, Distt. Sangli.	No	-do-	600.00	-do-
Sarvodaya SSK Ltd., Bagani, Tal.-Walwa, Distt. Sangli.	No	-do-	600.00	-do-
Bhimashankar SSK Ltd., Kathapur, Pargaon, Tal.-Ambegaon, Distt. Pune.	No	-do-	600.00	-do-

Name of Society with Location	Whether SC/ST	Activity	Amount of assistance sought	Status of pendency as on 15.5.98
Rameshwar SSK Ltd., Sipora Bazar, Tal.-Shokardan, Distt. Jalna.	No	-do-	600.00	-do-
Dongrai SSK Ltd., Kadepur, Tal.-Khanapur, Distt. Sangli.	No	-do-	600.00	-do-
Shree Datta SSK Ltd., Asule Porle, Taluka Parbhani, Distt. Kolhapur.	No	-Mod./expn.	750.00	Under examination.
Shree Datta SSK Ltd., Shirol, District Kolhapur. Kolhapur.	No	Mod./expn.	244.00	-do-
Yeshwant Sahakari Glucose Karkhana Ltd. Shdheshwar Nagar, (Padali) Tal: Shirala, Distt. Sangli.	No	Processing of maize for manufacturing of glucose.	1200.00	State Govt's recommendation on the proposal for seeking term loan of Rs. 900 lakhs and investment loan of Rs. 300 lakhs received on 14.5.98. The proposal is under active consideration of the Corporation.

(B) Details of assistance released to SC/ST cooperatives for various Cooperative activities by NCDC to Maharashtra State during 1996-97.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of Society with Location	Activity	Amount of assistance released	Status of pending proposals as on 15.5.1998
1. Magas. Bhatki Samaj	Integrated Poultry Dev. Project	0.515	Nil

Name of Society with Location	Activity	Amount of assistance released	Status of pending proposals as on 15.5.1998
2. Deepa Magas. Kukkut Palan Sah. Sanstha Ltd., Tal. Tiroda, Distt. Bhandara.	-do-	36.00	Nil
3. Vasan Magas. Jati Jamati KPSS Ltd., Tuljapur, Tal. Mangrulpir, Distt. Akola.	-do-	10.24	Nil
4. Rahul Magas. KPSS Ltd., Daund, Pune.	-do-	20.30	Nil
5. Anant Magas. KPSS Ltd.	-do-	20.30	Nil
6. Jankalyan Magas. KPSS Ltd., Nagpur.	-do-	20.30	Nil
7. Sri Gajanan KPSS Ltd., Solapur.	-do-	28.50	Nil
8. Priyadarshini Magas. KPSS, Gadchiroli.	-do-	28.00	Nil

Growth rate in Agriculture

144. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that China endowed with much less cultivable land and resources, has achieved an average agricultural growth of eight to ten per cent a year between 1983 to 1993 and doubled its agricultural production;

(b) if so, what had been India's agricultural growth rate per year in comparison to China during the above period;

(c) what steps Gvoernment propose to take to achieve agricultural grówth of at lest five per cent a year; and

(d) whether Government propose to recast their agriculture policy so as to increase production and ensure food for all in the next five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) As per FAO Production Year Book 1994, the growth rates in China and India based on the indices of crop production (base 1979-81 = 100) during 1983-93 are given in the Table below. The arable land figures are also available in the Table.

Item	China	India
(i) Crop Index		
1983	122.30	116.21
1993	151.12	153.88
Average Annual Growth	2.14	2.85
(ii) Arable Land (Million ha.)		165.0
		166.1
1983	95.9	
1993	92.7	